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Tammy Hightower
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United States District Court
Western District of North Carolina
United States Courthouse
Charles R. Jonas Federal Building
401 West Trade Street, Room 1200
Charlotte, NC 28202

RE: Audio Recording Request for *In re Strickland*, No. 24-1353 (4th Cir.)

Dear Ms. Hightower:

I am writing to request an electronic audio recording. I am contacting you because you are listed on the docket as the court reporter coordinator for the above referenced proceeding. The associated docket number for the district court proceeding in this case is 1:20-cv-00066-WGY (W.D.N.C.).

Plaintiff requests the recording of the non-caucus (*i.e.*, on-the-record) portions of the court-ordered Alternative Dispute Resolution Hearing (“ADR Hearing”) held on August 17, 2023 before Magistrate Judge Marianne B. Bowler of the District of Massachusetts. *See* ECF No. 266 (mediation report). **Plaintiff does *not* request the release of any off-the-record, individual caucuses during the mediation, which are confidential, nor does she consent to the release of any such confidential individual caucuses.** *See* <https://www.mad.uscourts.gov/resources/pdf/adr.pdf> (discussing “confidentiality in ADR proceedings”). Recordings of on-the-record portions of ADR Hearings are made available in mediations conducted in the District of Massachusetts, as shown in other orders from that district. *See, e.g., MacDonald v. WGBH Educ. Found.*, ECF No. 44, 1:18-cv-10773 (D. Mass.) (discussing procedure for ordering “a copy of th[e] Digital Recording” from ADR Hearing).

Respectfully,

/s/ Cooper Strickland
Cooper Strickland

Attachment: Audio Recording Form (AO-436)

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES COURTS

AUDIO RECORDING ORDER

Read Instructions.

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|---|---|--|-------------------------|--|-----------------------------|
| 1. NAME Cooper Strickland | | 2. PHONE NUMBER (828) 817-3703 | | 3. EMAIL ADDRESS cooper.strickland@gmail.com | |
| 4. MAILING ADDRESS PO Box 92 | | 5. CITY Lynn | | 6. STATE NC | 7. ZIP CODE 28750 |
| 8. CASE NUMBER 1:20-cv-00066-WGY | 9. CASE NAME Strickland v. U.S. | DATES OF PROCEEDINGS | | | |
| | | 10. FROM 8/17/2023 | 11. TO 8/17/2023 | | |
| 12. PRESIDING JUDGE Hon. Marianne B. Bowler | | LOCATION OF PROCEEDINGS | | | |
| | | 13. CITY Remote | 14. STATE n/a | | |

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| 15. ORDER FOR | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> APPEAL | <input type="checkbox"/> CRIMINAL | <input type="checkbox"/> CRIMINAL JUSTICE ACT | <input type="checkbox"/> BANKRUPTCY |
| <input type="checkbox"/> NON-APPEAL | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CIVIL | <input type="checkbox"/> IN FORMA PAUPERIS | <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (Specify) |

| 16. AUDIO RECORDING REQUESTED (Specify portion(s) and date(s) of proceeding(s) for which duplicate recordings are requested.) | | | |
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| PORTION (S) | DATE(S) | PORTION(S) | DATE(S) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> VOIR DIRE | | <input type="checkbox"/> TESTIMONY (Specify Witness) | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> OPENING STATEMENT (Plaintiff) | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> OPENING STATEMENT (Defendant) | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CLOSING ARGUMENT (Plaintiff) | | <input type="checkbox"/> PRE-TRIAL PROCEEDING (Specify) | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CLOSING ARGUMENT (Defendant) | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> OPINION OF COURT | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> JURY INSTRUCTIONS | | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER (Specify) | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> SENTENCING | | ADR Hearing | 8/17/2023 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> BAIL HEARING | | Remote via Zoom | |

| 17. ORDER | | |
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| | NO. OF COPIES REQUESTED | COSTS |
| <input type="checkbox"/> DUPLICATE TAPE(S) FOR PLAYBACK ON A STANDARD CASSETTE RECORDER | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> RECORDABLE COMPACT DISC - CD | | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ELECTRONIC FILE (via email, digital download, or other Judicial Conference Approved Media) | 1 | 34.00 |
| ESTIMATE TOTAL | | 34.00 |

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| CERTIFICATION (18. & 19.) By signing below, I certify that I will pay all charges (deposit plus additional) upon completion of the order. | |
| 18. SIGNATURE /s/ Cooper Strickland | 19. DATE 8/6/2024 |

| PROCESSED BY | | | | PHONE NUMBER |
|--|------|----|----------------|--------------|
| ORDER RECEIVED | DATE | BY | DEPOSIT PAID | |
| DEPOSIT PAID | | | TOTAL CHARGES | 34.00 |
| TAPE / CD DUPLICATED (if applicable) | | | LESS DEPOSIT | 34.00 |
| ORDERING PARTY NOTIFIED TO PICK UP TAPE/CD (if applicable) | | | TOTAL REFUNDED | |
| PARTY RECEIVED AUDIO RECORDING | | | TOTAL DUE | 34.00 |

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